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In re the Application of

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR IMAGE TRANSFORMATION

AND RECORDING MEDIUM

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Rules 56 and 99, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to the art listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. All of these references were cited in an European Search Report dated November 22, 2005 (copy attached). JP '887 corresponds to US '788.

Applicants present this art so that the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention, see <u>Beckman Instruments</u>, <u>Inc. v. Chemtronics</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPQ 355, 364 (5th Cir. 1970). Also see Patent Office Rules 104 and 106. Applicants respectfully request that this art be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and

appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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